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Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present application is a divisional of Serial No. 09/329,002, filed June 8, 1999.

The attached application document is a Substitute Specification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.125. No new matter is added in the Substitute Specification.

5        The title, minor parts of the specification, and claims are being changed, and the priority claim updated. Those changes are reflected in the Substitute Specification, and are described above in this Preliminary Amendment with page and line numbers relative to the parent application. The claims are wholly replaced as seen in the new divisional application document. The Substitute Specification of the enclosed divisional application document also adds paragraph  
10    numbers.

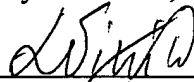
In addition, Fig. 11D has been added to sheet number 7 (of 31) of the drawings.

The specification and drawing changes were made in the parent application in response to the Examiner's objection to the specification and certain claim features. No new matter is added.

15        New Claims

The new claims correspond generally to the invention of original claims 41-46 of the parent application (embodiments of Figs. 42-46). Because of their similar structural features, device claims 1 and 15 and method claim 22 are believed to require only one search, and should be examined together.

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